

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [32], with the following rewritten paragraph.

An example of a sidestream gas sampling system suitable for use with the airway adapter of the present invention is described in published U.S. Patent Application No. ~~40/384,328~~ 10/384,329 filed March 7, 2003 (Publication No. 2003/0191405, published October 9, 2003), entitled, "Sidestream Gas Sampling System with Detachable Sample Cell," the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference. Other examples of conventional sidestream gas measurement systems are taught in U.S. Patent Nos. 4,692,621 to Passaro et al.; 4,177,381 to McClatchie, and 5,282,473 to Braig et al. It is to be understood that the airway adapter of the present invention is suitable for use with these or any other conventional sidestream gas sampling system.

Please replace paragraph [39], with the following rewritten paragraph.

As perhaps best shown in FIGS. 3-6, opening 140 is defined in a surface 142 at distal end portion 118 of the insert. In an exemplary embodiment of the present invention, opening 140 provides access to a narrow bore 133 that is coupled to a wide bore 135. Thus, second gas flow passage 112 is defined by narrow bore 133 and wide bore portion 135. Surface 142 at the distal end of the insert includes a central planar surface 145, a first inclined surface portion 146, and a second inclined surface portion 147. Inclined surfaces 146 and ~~146~~ 147 are located on opposite sides of central planar surface 145.